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The Honorable Vernon A. Williams, Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Surface Transportation Board
1925 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20423-0001

RE: Ex Parte No. 658: The 25th Anniversary of the Staggers Rail Act of 1980: A Review and Look Ahead

Dear Secretary Williams:

Pursuant to the notice which was served on September 14, 2005, the **Alliance for Rail Competition (ARC)** hereby submits its Notice of Intent to Participate in the above styled proceeding. The Notice outlined the hearing process however, due to schedule conflicts this representative will not be able to participate in the hearing on October 19th but ARC intends to file a Statement in the above described proceeding and desires that it be included in the record when filed

Respectfully submitted,



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On behalf of **The Alliance for Rail Competition**

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